

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 - 49. (Canceled)

50. (New) A method of washing items during a wash cycle in an automatic washer having a wash chamber rotatable about a central axis, the method comprising the steps of:

loading items into the wash chamber;

supplying wash liquid into the wash chamber; and

oscillating the wash chamber about the central axis alternately through a clockwise angle of rotation and a counter-clockwise angle of rotation with speed varying oscillations, the speed varying oscillations being maintained to effect less than a one gravity centrifugal force on the items such that the items will tumble in said wash chamber, the angle of rotation traversed by the wash chamber during each clockwise and counter-clockwise rotation varying throughout the wash cycle.

51. (New) A method of washing items during a wash cycle in an automatic washer having a wash chamber rotatable about a central axis, the method comprising the steps of:

loading items into the wash chamber;

supplying wash liquid into the wash chamber; and

oscillating the wash chamber about the central axis alternately through a clockwise angle of rotation and a counter-clockwise angle of rotation with speed varying oscillations, the speed varying oscillations being maintained to effect less than a one gravity centrifugal force on the

items such that the items will tumble in said wash chamber, wherein the rotation of the wash chamber pauses for a length of time between each clockwise and counter-clockwise rotation.

52. (New) The method according to claim 51, wherein the length of each pause varies throughout the wash cycle.

53. (New) A method of washing items during a wash cycle in an automatic washer having a wash chamber rotatable about a central axis, the method comprising the steps of:

loading items into the wash chamber;

supplying wash liquid into the wash chamber; and

oscillating the wash chamber about the central axis alternately through a clockwise angle of rotation and a counter-clockwise angle of rotation with speed varying oscillations, the speed varying oscillations being maintained to effect less than a one gravity centrifugal force on the items such that the items will tumble in said wash chamber, wherein the speed of rotation of the wash chamber varies randomly.

54. (New) The method according to claim 53, wherein the speed varies within a predetermined range of a base speed.

55. (New) The method according to claim 53, wherein RPM values for the speed change every 0.3 seconds, regardless of drum direction.

56. (New) The method according to claim 53, wherein an RPM value for the speed is determined by a random generator.